OPINION 1156
TEREBRA VARIEGATA GRAY, 1834, (MOLLUSCA, GASTROPODA) CONSERVED BY THE USE OF THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING – (1) Under the plenary powers the specific name *africana* Griffith & Pidgeon, [late 1833–early 1834], as published in the binomen *Terebra africana,* is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The specific name *variegata* Gray, 25 November 1834, as published in the binomen *Terebra variegata,* is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2711.

(3) The specific name *africana* Griffith & Pidgeon, [late 1833–early 1834], as published in the binomen *Terebra africana,* and as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1064.

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)1927

An application for the conservation of *Terebra variegata* Gray, 1834, was first received from Dr Twila Bratcher and Dr Robert Burch (*Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History*) on 13 April 1970. It was sent to the printer on 1 July 1970 and published on 29 March 1971 in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 27, pp. 255–256. Public notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the statutory serials and to two malacological serials. The application was supported by Dr Harald Rehder (*U.S. National Museum*) and Dr Myra Keen (*Stanford University, California*). No adverse comment was received.

The date of publication of *Terebra africana* was important in this case. Cowan, 1969, *J. Soc. Biblphy nat. Hist.* vol. 5, pp. 137–140 gave the date of the corresponding part – part (39) – of Griffith & Pidgeon's work as [March 1834]. Before the case was presented for a vote, Lt-Col. Cowan was asked if he had any further information on the date of publication of that part. He replied that the part could only be dated [late 1833–early 1834], certainly before November 1834.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 20 August 1979 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule in Voting Paper (1979) 14 for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nom.* vol. 27, p. 255. At the close of the voting period on 20 November 1979 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative Votes – twenty (20) received in the following order: Melville, Holthuis, Vokes, Alvarado, Mroczkowski, Willink, Trjapitzin, Tortonese, Sabrosky, Bayer, Hahn, Welch, Brinck, Bernardi, Habe, Dupuis, Corliss, Nye, Cogger, Heppell

Negative Votes – none (0).

Late affirmative votes were sent in by Kraus, Halvorsen and Starobogatov. Ride was on leave of absence. No vote was returned by Binder.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references to the names placed on an Official List and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

africana, Terebra, Griffith & Pidgeon, [late 1833 - early 1834], Mollusca and Radiata, *in The Animal Kingdom . . . by Cuvier,* vol. 12, part (39), explanation of plate M23, fig. 5

variegata, Terebra Gray, Nov. 25 1834, *Proc. zool. Soc. London* for 1834, p. 61.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on V.P.(79)14 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that voting paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1156.

R. V. MELVILLE
Secretary
International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
London
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